

**GEORGIA BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
April 08, 2011**

The Georgia Board of Massage Therapy board meeting was held Friday, April 08, 2011, at The Professional Licensing Boards Division offices located at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia.

The following members were present:

Jane H. Johnson, Chair
Kathy Lescak, Vice-Chair
Steve Earles
Denise Taylor

Administrative Staff Present:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director
Graham Barron, Assistant Attorney General (via conference call)
Dianne Patterson, Administrative Assistant
Serena Gadson, Licensure Supervisor
Yvonne LeSane, Licensure Analyst
Amanda Allen, Board Support Specialist

Ms. Johnson established that a quorum of the Board was present and called the Board meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

Announcements:

- New Board Member Attendance
 - Ms. Denise Taylor, MT005823, was sworn into office

Agenda:

Ms. Lescak motioned, Ms. Taylor seconded, and the Board voted to approve the agenda as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Board Meeting Minutes:

Mr. Earles motioned, Ms. Lescak seconded, and the Board voted to approve the following Board meeting minutes as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

- 02-11-11

Correspondences:

Correspondences received between scheduled Board meetings were reviewed.

- Soon Ja Choi and Kristina Perry

Mr. Earles motioned, Ms. Lescak seconded, and the Board voted to allow the administrative staff to respond to all correspondences presented to the Board as directed. None opposed, motion carried.

Board Chair Report:

Ms. Jane Johnson, Chair, addressed the following topics with the Board.

1. Ms. Johnson reviewed the continuing education hours offered through Supreme Science Qigong Foundation. Ms. Johnson notified the Board that the continuing education course does not meet the requirements as defined in Rule 345-4-.02(a).
 - a. **Mr. Earles motioned, Ms. Lescak seconded, and the Board voted to notify SSQF that the course titled “Qi Revolution” does not meet the twelve (12) hours direct hands-on requirement as set forth by the Board rules. None opposed, motion carried.**
2. Ms. Johnson notified the Board that the “License Renewal Helpful Hints” had been posted on the Board’s website.
3. Ms. Johnson reviewed several issues that have been brought to her attention regarding various local municipalities.

Mr. Earles motioned, Ms. Taylor seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Board Chair report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Executive Director’s Report:

1. Mr. Zimmerman reviewed the progress of House Bill 143 with the Board.
2. Mr. Zimmerman notified the Board that the state of Montana began the licensure process in July 2010 and would like for the Board to consider accepting applications for licensure by endorsement if and when received.
 - After an in-depth discussion, the Board stated that would review the applications and make a determination on a case-by-case basis. Montana’s licensure requirements must meet or exceed those of Georgia.
3. Mr. Zimmerman reviewed the Board’s Continuing Education Fine Scale Policy with the Board for any required revisions.

Board Policy: Continuing Education Fine Scale-Revised:

Continuing Education Fine Scale Policy:

Any licensee selected for a Continuing Education audit who completes their online renewal (or mails in a paper form and fee) and answers “yes” to having obtained the required number of continuing education hours to renew his/her license, ***then*** attempts to obtain the required hours ***after*** they have renewed the license may face disciplinary sanctions against their license to practice by the Board. The license will be placed in “renewal pending” status and only renewed upon the agreement to, and signing of, a public Board ordered reprimand and possibly include a monetary fine; fine amount will be determined by the Board. Continuing Education hours must be obtained after November 1st of even numbered years following an expiration date of the license, and before the subsequent October 31st even numbered year license expiration date.

Effective: 10-27-10 Revised: 4-8-2011

Mr. Earles motioned, Ms. Lescak seconded, and the Board voted to accept the revisions to the Continuing Education Fine Scale Policy as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

4. Mr. Zimmerman reviewed Rule 345-4-.05 Reinstatement of a License. Amended., with the Board for possible clarification and revisions. All revisions will be presented to the Board at their next scheduled meeting.
5. Mr. Zimmerman notified the Board that, at this time, there will be no Board meetings held in the month of June.

Mr. Earles motioned, Ms. Lescak seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Executive Director's report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Petition for Waiver/Variance Re-Review Requests:

- Judy Hayes, MT003579, GA-Rule 345-4.02(3) Continuing Education Providers-Waiver Rebuttal

Mr. Earles motioned, Ms. Taylor seconded, and the Board voted that the denial stands on the original petition for variance/waiver request. Licensee must apply for reinstatement under the current rule requirements. None opposed, motion carried.

- Kristen M. Cash Carter, MT002208, Rule 345-4-.02 Continuing Education Hours-Waiver Rebuttal

Mr. Earles motioned, Ms. Taylor seconded, and the Board voted that the denial stands on the original petition for variance/waiver request. Licensee must apply for reinstatement under the current rule requirements. None opposed, motion carried.

- Michael Harris, MT003572, Rule 345-4-.01 (2) (4)

Mr. Earles motioned, Ms. Taylor seconded, and the Board voted to deny the petition for waiver/variance request. Licensee must apply for reinstatement under the current rule requirements. None opposed, motion carried.

- Pamela Noud, Decatur, GA-O.C.G.A. 43-24A-8(b)

Mr. Earles motioned, Ms. Taylor seconded, and the Board voted to deny the petition for waiver/variance request. The Board cannot waive the law. None opposed, motion carried.

- Suzanne Hoagland, MT000656, Rule 345-4-.04 Inactive Status

Mr. Earles motioned, Ms. Taylor seconded, Denied; In addition, the Board voted to allow the licensee to obtain all required continuing education hours needed to reinstate license via on-line. Continuing Education hours cannot be used towards the upcoming renewal period. None opposed, motion carried.

Ms. Lescak motioned, and Mr. Earles seconded, and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2(k) (1) (2), O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-2-(k) (4), O.C.G.A. § 43-1-19 (h) (2) & (4) to receive and review information pertaining to Applications, receive the Attorney General's, Cognizant, and Enforcement Reports. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board members Johnson, Lescak, Earles and Taylor.

At the conclusion of Executive Session on Friday, April 08, 2011, Ms. Johnson declared the meeting to be "open" pursuant to the Open and Public Meeting Act O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq.

APPLICATIONS:

Mr. Earles motioned, and Ms. Lescak seconded, and the Board voted to take the following action on applicants applying for licensure by Application: None opposed, motion carried.

1. V.A.	Issue upon the receipt of signed public reprimand with fine.
2. Batson, Emily	Approved for licensure
3. Bennett, Tawana	Approved for licensure
4. Blankenship, Jessica	Approved for licensure
5. Brock, Rebecca	Approved for licensure
6. Canales, Shannon	Approved for licensure
7. Collyer, Michael	Approved for licensure
8. Culpepper, Dawn	Approved for licensure
9. Daniels, Karemia	Approved for licensure
10. B.D.	Denied; applicant does not meet the licensure requirements. Exam taken internationally
11. J.D.	Denied; applicant does not meet the licensure requirements. Exam taken internationally
12. Deal, SaSha	Approved for licensure
13. Disque, Lisa	Approved for licensure
14. Fields, Sonya	Approved for licensure
15. Gatty, Dana	Approved for licensure
16. Grant, Kimberly	Approved for licensure
17. Hardman, Katherine	Approved for licensure
18. Harper, Lisa	Approved for licensure
19. Kenndey, Patti	Approved for licensure
20. Klippel, Amber	Approved for licensure
21. Martell, Carolyn	Approved for licensure
22. T.M.	Issue upon the receipt of a signed public consent order
23. Money, Annette	Approved for licensure
24. Montgomery, Clyde	Approved for licensure
25. M.M.R.	Pending the receipt of additional information
26. Morris, Jennifer	Approved for licensure
27. Patton, Jill	Approved for licensure
28. Pipia, Victoria	Approved for licensure
29. Powell, Shawn	Approved for licensure
30. Rodgers, Trineka	Approved for licensure
31. Skipper, Tonya	Approved for licensure
32. Smith, Desiree	Approved for licensure
33. Stegall, Clarence	Approved for licensure
34. Teague, Lawrence	Approved for licensure
35. Winney, Helena	Approved for licensure

Mr. Earles motioned, and Ms. Lescak seconded, and the Board voted to take the following action on applicants applying for licensure by Reinstatement: None opposed, motion carried.

1. Beaty, Jessica	Approved for licensure
2. Boucher, Alissa	Approved for licensure
3. Bragg, Kelsey	Approved for licensure
4. Brasswell, Rhonda	Approved for licensure
5. R.B.	Issue upon the receipt of a signed public consent order
6. Butler, Roxanne	Approved for licensure
7. Campbell, Michelle	Approved for licensure
8. Churchill, Meredith	Approved for licensure
9. Clemons, Allison	Approved for licensure

10. Crewes, Scott	Approved for licensure
11. Culpepper, Kathryn	Approved for licensure
12. K.D.	Issue upon the receipt of a signed public consent order
13. P.D.	Pending the receipt of additional information
14. K.D.	Issue upon the receipt of a signed public consent order
15. Davis, LaTrissha	Approved for licensure
16. C.D.	Pending the receipt of additional information
17. Drobisch, Jodie	Approved for licensure
18. Embler, Mark	Approved for licensure
19. Fields, Andrea	Approved for licensure
20. J.G.	Pending the receipt of additional information
21. Goodman, Robert	Approved for licensure
22. Hall, Kristin	Approved for licensure
23. Hasanovic, Jasmin	Approved for licensure
24. Jackson, Deborah	Approved for licensure
25. Killebrew, Diana	Approved for licensure
26. A.L.	Issue upon the receipt of a signed public consent order
27. J.M.	Pending the receipt of additional information
28. L.N.	Issue upon the receipt of a signed public consent order
29. V.P.	Pending the receipt of additional information
30. L.R.	Approved pending the receipt of additional information
31. P.R.	Issue upon the receipt of a signed public consent order
32. D.R.	Pending the receipt of additional information
33. Salter, Heather	Approved for licensure
34. Schwalls, Amber	Approved for licensure
35. Smith, Kathleen	Approved for licensure
36. T.S.	Pending the receipt of additional information
37. Templier, Jessica	Approved for licensure
38. Thurmond, Holly	Approved for licensure
39. Underwood, Michaela	Approved for licensure
40. Walden, Cynthia	Approved for licensure
41. A.W.	Issue upon the receipt of a signed public consent order
42. D.Y.	Issue upon the receipt of a signed public consent order

Approved Licensees:

Mr. Earles motioned, and Ms. Lescak seconded, and the Board voted to ratify the following applications approved between Board meetings determined to have met licensure requirements as follows:

License No.	Name	Issue Date
MT007260	Roberts, Kelly Jordan	2/10/2011
MT007261	Andino, Jessica Frisco	2/14/2011
MT007262	Alexander, Kimberly Audeen	2/14/2011
MT007263	Whitfield, Shelmaine	2/14/2011
MT007264	Shank, Marie Esther	2/14/2011
MT007265	Wynn, Summer Krishawn	2/14/2011
MT007266	Richeson, Emily McDonell	2/14/2011

MT007267	Arnold, Melanie Rae	2/14/2011
MT007268	Mitchell, Stephen Donahue	2/14/2011
MT007269	Brown, Camari A	2/14/2011
MT007270	Van Sickle, Angela Andino	2/14/2011
MT007271	Tidwell, Daniel A	2/14/2011
MT007272	Cole, Ketari Lydia	2/14/2011
MT007273	Patterson, Nina Colleen	2/14/2011
MT007274	Bush, Patrick Henry	2/14/2011
MT007275	Albert, Heather Elana	2/14/2011
MT007276	Brown, Eugene L T	2/14/2011
MT007277	Moment, Albert Elmore	2/14/2011
MT007278	Stafford, Ivory Denise	2/14/2011
MT007279	Warner, Mallory Dale	2/14/2011
MT007280	McGrue, Anthony T	2/14/2011
MT007281	Riley, Christian Heather Jackie Lee	2/14/2011
MT007282	Singh, Cynthia Lundberg	2/14/2011
MT007283	Littlewood, David Miller	2/14/2011
MT007284	El Shabazz, Tammie B	2/14/2011
MT007285	Johnson, Tracey Alana	2/14/2011
MT007286	Godfrey, Isla Drury	2/15/2011
MT007287	Fowler, Kim Yvette	2/15/2011
MT007288	Kelley, Philbert Roscoe	2/15/2011
MT007289	Jackson, Stephanie Lea	2/15/2011
MT007290	Wilson Minter, Donna Renee	2/15/2011
MT007291	Saville, Jeremiah Joseph	2/15/2011
MT007292	Turner, Lisa Kay	2/15/2011
MT007293	Hammond, Michael Thomas	2/15/2011
MT007294	Butler, Trisha Anne	2/15/2011
MT007295	Morrow, Amira Iman	2/15/2011
MT007296	Walker, Jodi Venette Marie	2/16/2011
MT007297	Bennett, Crystal Monique	2/16/2011
MT007298	Taylor, Jeremy Charles	2/16/2011
MT007299	Bell, Brittney Nicole	2/17/2011
MT007300	Outland, Kristin Brooke	2/18/2011
MT007301	Santos, Shin Ja	2/22/2011
MT007302	Mandel, Marny Ellen	2/22/2011
MT007303	Rogers, Jennifer Ashley	2/22/2011
MT007304	Jahnke, Jacob John	2/23/2011
MT007305	Stokes, Angel Patrice	2/25/2011
MT007306	Gu, Guo Chun	3/2/2011
MT007307	Bates, Iliana	3/2/2011
MT007308	Burks, Erika Leigh	3/2/2011
MT007309	Duke, Stacy Dawn	3/2/2011

MT007310	Highsmith, Tiffany Ivette	3/2/2011
MT007311	Howard, Trinity A	3/2/2011
MT007312	Schapiro, Amy	3/2/2011
MT007313	Tait, Kristina Marie	3/2/2011
MT007314	Weston, Felicia Mae	3/2/2011
MT007315	Wilder, Joyia Marylouise	3/2/2011
MT007316	Williams, Virginia Neshell	3/2/2011
MT007317	Willis, Julie Renee	3/2/2011
MT007318	Wilson, Amanda JoAnne	3/2/2011
MT007319	Zuckero, Catherine Claire	3/2/2011
MT007320	Cupp, Anthony Scott	3/2/2011
MT007321	Gonzalez, Ruby Esperanza	3/4/2011
MT007322	Prenzlin, Stephanie Lynn	3/8/2011
MT007323	Kim, Danny Doo	3/8/2011
MT007324	Johnson, Genail Genessee	3/8/2011
MT007325	Feaster, Liska Elizabeth	3/8/2011
MT007326	Sherrod, Alicia Elizabeth	3/8/2011
MT007327	Clark, Nicholas A	3/8/2011
MT007328	France, Rebekkah Parker	3/8/2011
MT007329	Rooks, Jeen Yvette	3/8/2011
MT007330	Liu, Lan Li	3/8/2011
MT007331	Conner, Courtnee Elizabeth	3/8/2011
MT007332	Morris, Kris Allison	3/8/2011
MT007333	Bridgman, Amie Louise	3/8/2011
MT007334	Pledger, Alys Nicole	3/8/2011
MT007335	Dickenson, Samantha Lennice	3/8/2011
MT007336	Lillemon, Trenton Dean	3/8/2011
MT007337	Derricho, Shynetria Matilda	3/8/2011
MT007338	Campbell, Cassandra Lynn	3/8/2011
MT007339	Cook, Kristin Marie	3/8/2011
MT007340	Nolan, Dianne Marie	3/8/2011
MT007341	Hart, Erin Ann	3/8/2011
MT007342	Myers, Jorianna Elizabeth	3/8/2011
MT007343	Hreha, Erin Leigh	3/11/2011
MT007344	Hairetis, Despina E	3/11/2011
MT007345	Cruz, Sandra Marie	3/11/2011
MT007346	Ko, Wool Saeng	3/11/2011
MT007347	Montgomery, Somjai Wendy	3/11/2011
MT007348	Ricks, Kwame Lamarrius	3/11/2011
MT007349	Adams, Dwan Marie	3/11/2011
MT007350	Hall, Melissa Renee	3/11/2011
MT007351	Lelich, Samantha	3/11/2011
MT007352	Baker, Roxann Louise	3/11/2011

MT007353	Davis, Dena	3/11/2011
MT007354	Bertot, Marucia M	3/11/2011
MT007355	Croney, Carlene Michelle	3/11/2011
MT007356	Walk, Wilma E	3/11/2011
MT007357	Moton, Dee Alice	3/11/2011
MT007358	Gore, Michelle R	3/18/2011
MT007359	Kendrick, Dianna Lynn	3/18/2011
MT007360	Dolle, Kimberly Sue	3/18/2011
MT007361	Xu, Xing Yue	3/23/2011
MT007362	Tan, Bai Wei	3/29/2011

Massage Therapy School Report:

Mr. Earles presented the Board with the Massage Therapy school/compliance report.

The following Georgia massage therapy education programs were recognized by the Board as meeting or exceeding the requirements pursuant to Board rule 345-8. The effective date of approval is April 08, 2011.

- Touch for Healing: School of Reiki, Jasper, GA
- Virginia College, LLC, Savannah, GA

The following out of state schools were denied/not recognized by the Board. The schools did not meet the requirements of Chapter 345-8.

- America's Institute of Traditional Medicine, Rosemead, CA
- American Training School for the Medical Professional , West New York
- East-West Institute of Hand Therapy, El Monte, CA
- Hahm Therapeutic Massage Institute, Los Angeles, CA
- New Wave Myotherapy, West New York
- Oriental Medicine Institute of America, San Gabriel, CA
- Select Therapy, Rosemead, CA
- United States Alternative College, Santa Ana, CA
- Wall Street Institute, New York

The following Georgia school is no longer recognized as a Board Recognized Massage Therapy Educational Program. The school did not meet the requirements of Chapter 345-8.

- Smyrna Therapeutic Massage School

Ms. Lescak motioned, Mr. Earles seconded, and the Board voted to approved the Massage Therapy School report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Cognizant Report:

Ms. Lescak updated the Board on all pending complaint cases.

Complaint/Enforcement Cases Closed:

- 37984, 39027, MT100008, MT100029, MT100031, MT100032, MT100033, MT100036, MT100040, MT100049, MT100090, MT100102, MT110027, MT110028, MT110032, MT110044, MT110046, MT110054, MT110058, MT110067, MT110070, and MT110072

Complaint Cases Referred to the Investigations Division:

- MT100094, MT110060, MT110061, MT110063, MT110066, MT110068, MT110069, MT110071, MT110073, and MT110075

Complaint cases pending the receipt of additional information:

- MT110050, and MT110062

Ms. Taylor motioned, Ms. Lescak seconded, and the Board voted to accept the Cognizant report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Attorney General's Report:

Assistant Attorney General, Graham Barron provided the Board with a status report.

Mr. Earles motioned, Ms. Lescak seconded, and the Board voted to approve the Assistant Attorney General's report as presented during Executive Session. None opposed, motion carried.

Probation Report:

- David Cross-Deficiencies noted
- Deborah Seiler-No deficiencies noted
- Jodi Walker-No deficiencies noted
- Kelly Anderson-No deficiencies noted

Mr. Earles motioned, Ms. Lescak seconded, and the Board voted to approve the Probation Report as presented. None opposed, motion carried.

Mr. Earles notified the Board he had submitted his resignation from the Board effective June 1, 2011 to the Governor's Office of Appointments. The Board thanked Mr. Earles for his years of service on the Board.

There being no additional business to discuss, Ms. Lescak motioned, Ms. Taylor seconded, and the Board voted to adjourn the meeting at 3:50 p.m.

Minutes recorded by:

Amanda Allen, Board Support Specialist

Minutes reviewed and edited by:

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director

Jane H. Johnson, Chair
Georgia State Board of Massage Therapy

Brig Zimmerman, Executive Director
Professional Licensing Boards Division

These minutes were approved on: June 24, 2011